Remarks

Claims 1-24 were pending in the subject application. By this Amendment, the applicants have amended claims 1, 6, 19, 23 and 24. Also, claims 9-24 have been withdrawn as being directed to non-elected subject matter. The claims have been amended to lend greater clarity to the claimed subject matter and to correct clerical errors. No new matter has been added by these amendments.

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated September 30, 2008, the applicants hereby elect the Group I claims (claims 1-8) drawn to the compound of formula I. The applicants further elect the following species: 4,5-Bis(tetrahydropyran-4-carbonyloxy)-9,10-dioxo-dihydroanthracene-2-carboxylic acid (the compound of Example 1).

The applicants appreciate that this election of species has been required for the purposes of facilitating the search and expediting prosecution. Accordingly, the applicants respectfully submit that, upon an indication of allowable subject matter, the scope of the claims should not be limited to the elected species.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 or 1.17 as required by this paper to Deposit Account 19-0065.

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